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6/4/03**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND
RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION
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The following communication is in response to the Final Office Action mailed December 27, 2002, in the above-referenced application. A petition for a two-month extension of time and the appropriate fee accompany this communication. If any additional fees are due with this communication, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required amount to Attorney Deposit Account No. 08-1290 referencing Attorney Docket No.: NATNUT-03972.

A clean version of the rewritten claims with instructions for entry pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c)(1)(i) is included beginning on page 2 of this communication. A marked-up version of the rewritten, added, and/or cancelled claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c)(1)(ii) is attached as Appendix 1. A clean version of the entire set of pending claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c)(3) as they would appear following entry of this amendment is attached as Appendix 2.



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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995.
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/410,484/614/23
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Examiner Name	WEBMAN
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SBI/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 08-1290
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) 05/30/2003 KZEWDIE 00000015 09410484
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) - 2 months 1 FC:1801 750.00 DP
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 81,160.00 enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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